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E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: OVIP, PFOR, XA (KISSINGER, HENRY A.)
SUBJ: SECRETARY'S VISIT - PRESS ARRANGEMENTS

REF: STATE 085419

1. HOTEL SPACE PROBABLY AVAILABLE FOR ADDITIONAL JOURNALISTS; CPNC AT SAME HOTEL WITH SECRETARY'S PARTY, CAN BE CLOSE BY. (FINAL DETERMINATION OF PARTY'S HOTEL NOT RPT NOT YET MADE. DAKAR 2095 (NOTAL).)

2. EMBASSY WILL PLAN FOR PRESS ROOM AND COMMERCIAL TELEX FACILITIES ADEQUATE ALL NEEDS.

3. AMBASSADOR INFORMED SECRETARY-GENERAL BOB OF GOS MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS OF POSSIBLE VISIT BY FOREIGN CORRESPONDENTS ASSOCIATION. BOB SAID GOS HAD NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE BUT WOULD REQUIRE DIPLOMATIC NOTE ON SUBJECT. EMBASSY PLANS TO SEND BRIEF NOTE DRAWING ON STATE 85419, AND INDICATING OUR
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EXPECTION THAT ASSOCIATION WILL BE IN DIRECT CONTACT WITH GOS ON

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ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT.

4. BOB SAID THAT QUESTION OF VISAS WOULD BE ADDRESSED WHEN GOS IS PROVIDED NAMES AND PASSPORT DATA ON MEMBERS OF GROUP; HE POINTED OUT THAT SOME SENEGALESE VISAS REQUIRE MINISTRY OF INTERIOR APPROVAL.

5. COMMENT: GIVEN UNCERTAINTY ABOUT NATIONALITIES MEMBERS TRAVELLING GROUP AND POSSIBILITY THAT SOUTH AFRICANS, RHODESIANS, ETC MAY BE INCLUDED, EMBASSY RECOMMENDS THAT INTENDED PARTICIPANTS IN VISIT OBTAIN SENEGAL VISAS IN ADVANCE. REQUEST EMBASSY BE KEPT INFORMED OF THE GROUP'S INTENTIONS.
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